THE ST. LOUIS FIRE.

Mayor Welsh, of Topeka, Shows Where the Conflagration Broke Out.

SMOULDERING FOR HOURS.

Another Body Found-Mr. Munster's Jewelry.

PERSONAL EXPERIENCES.

BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HEBALD. 1

Sr. Louis, April 14, 1877. Orrin Weish, Mayor of Topeka, Kansas, tells a strange story in connection with the Southern Hotel fire on Tuesday night. He occupied room 119, just over the storeroom, where the fire is supposed to have originated. He says he entered his room at six c'clock in the evening and found it filled with smoke. He summoned a hell boy and the cause of the smoke. The said he supposed it came from a grate somewhere in the hotel. Welsh went out and returned at half-past ten. There was then a strong smell of fire in the r and more smoke than before. Not being able to sleep he went down to the night clerk and had his room changed to the fourth floor, where he was sleeping when the alarm was made early next morning.

THE FIRE SMOULDERING FOR HOURS. He is quite cortain the fire started early in the evering, slowly burning and gathering strength until it Chief Sexton, of the Fire Department, contends that all the circum stances point to the truthiulness of Welsh's theory, and that the fire could not possibly have had such headway when the alarm was given had it not been progressing several hours. There will doubtless be a very lively investigation into the matter, as there is a strong public demand that the responsibility of the holocaust should be placed where it belongs. MR. MUNSTER'S PROPERTY.

The half of Mr. Munster's \$25,000 necklace, which was missing, was found this morning in the room formerly occupied by that gentleman and his lady, The stones were all in the settings, but their value will, doubtless, be somewhat impaired by the orden through which they have passed. A magnificent gold ring, belonging to the same party and set with agate, with Saturn as a crest and with Munster's initials in side, has also been recovered.

ANOTHER BODY POUND. Another body, supposed to be that of a man, was taken from the ruins of the Southern Hotel this afternoon; but it was so badly burned that it could not be

Two more of the unaccounted-for guests telegraphed their safety this morning—Catson and Porter, of Indianapolis. It is also known that R. E. J. Miles, of Cincinuatl, is safe; and the W. S. Monroe, of New York, whose name was telegraphed last night, is believed to be W. S. Morrison, of the same city, who is safe and now at the Landell Hotel.

INVESTIGATION BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. As the Fire Department has received much blame from a portion of the city press and from many individuals for alleged bad management of Southern Hotel fire, Chief Sexton has made a little investigation of the matter in self-defence, He has examined Mr. Russell, the chief engineer of the notel and several employ 6s who assisted in the efforts to subdue the flames in the storeroom. Russell resterated his statement telegraphed last night, and gave it as his opinion that the Fire Department was summoned too late to save the building. The other parties examined corroborated

KATE CLANTON'S ESCAPE—SHE TELLS HER OWN STORY-LOST ALL HER EFFECTS.

Rossell's statement

[From the St. Louis Times, April 12.] Times reporter visited Miss Claxton yesterday at the Lindell Hotel, with the view of gathering her experience of Tuesday night's fearful disaster, and she courteously complied. She was suffering from pervous prostration and was much distressed regarding Miss McClellan's critical condition, but made an effort to recount her experi borrible night as follows:-"I left the Olympic Theatro immediately after the performance and returned to the hotel with my brother. We went into the dining room to take late supper and McClellan was so bright and cheerful and I was so charmed with her sweet face and manners, little imagining what was so soon to follow. After budding them good night I went up to my room on the fourth floor and my brother retired to his room on the same floor. I sat down and read a little before going to bed and everything at that time was quiet. The next thing that I remember was a loud knocking at the door; I was undressed and had been sleeping some little time. In a hall stupid condition I turned and listened. I listened again and the knocking was repeated, and with the knocking, the sounds of which were lar and near, came the dreadful shouts of s"Fire, fire!" I sprang from the bed and a terrible leeling of oppression came over me; I cannot describe it. I looked up at the gas in my room, which was burning dimity, and there I saw the smoke curing around the chandelier. Then it appeared all at once to fill the room and dense clouds came through the apertures of the fire grate. I thought instantly of my brother and rushed out, undressed as I was, to discover his room. Moanwhile he had been disturbed by the noise, and he was approaching my room door. I McClellan was so bright and cheerful and I was so rushed out, undressed as I was, to discover his room. Moanwhile he had been disturbed by the noise, and he was approaching my room door. I said, 'Let us find the staircase or we shall be lost.' My brother was haif dressed, and I reached across the bed to pick up something to throw over me. We could not find the staircase, and the conjuston and smoke and the roar of the fire, mingled with the most piercing and heartrending screams, I shall never forget. We were not acquainted with the notel arrangements, for it is the common practice to use the elevator in account and descent, and therefore could not find a staircase or any means of escape. There were others on the same floor in the same terrible dilemma, but we could not see each other for the smoke, Presently we groped along and found a step downward. We commenced to descend and want happened then I cannot say, for I do not distinctly remember. I have been in great danger before, as you know, and I slway endeavor to maintain my composure, but the smoke last night stiffed the senses. We reached by some means or other the first landing of the ladies' staircase on the Fifth street side, opposite the Olymbar. staircase on the Fifth street side, opposite the Ois pic Theatre. There was a great crowd of ladies their night dresses in this vestibule, and some of opposite, and I remained there some little time to re-cover mysell. There I saw poor Miss McCaellan brought in; I can never forget it! My brother pro-cured a carriage shortly atterward and we came down to the Lindell. I feel very much worse to-day than I did when I arrived here after the escape. I have lost everything.

ANOTHER ACTRESS IN PERIL-A TERRIFIC LEAP. [From the St. Louis Times, April 12]

Miss Frankie McClellan, the popular young actress is lying at the point of death. After the performance Olympic Theotre she returned to the Southern and partock of supper in the large dining room, retiring for the night half an hour later. The retiring for the night baif an hour later. The first intimation that she had of the terrible danger was a loud rapping at all the doors on the upper floors of the ourning building. Her room was located on the sixth floor, and the dense volumes of smoke flooded the passages and curred into her apartment. She sprang from the bed and seized a towel, which she saturated with water and paced across her face and mouth to prevent suifocation. These faces are gathered from those who removed her to the St. James Hotel after her frightful fall, for her critical condition renders her at present unconscious, and her statements to them immediately after her fall, in reply to inquiries touching her leap for life, were naturally confused. All that is possively known of her dearly purchased escape was detailed in the painful sight winessage by a Times reporter and thousands of others, gazing up awestricken at the burning hotel from the Fifth street front. Miss McCleilan appeared, half dressed, at a side window on the fourth floor, everlooking the roots of the Monkeys stoom and a jeweiry and tobacco store acjoining the main building. There were dozens of faces and forms in night clothes portoring from the side windows of the fifth and sixth floors all shouting and screaming piteously for help. Miss McCleilan's face at the fourth floor window was rocognized by some of the horrified bystanders and one or two actors connected with the company now performing at the Olympic, notably Mr. Weston, Mr. Warwick and Mr. Punkett, who had all succeeded in reaching the street by the main statrease and had turned to consult upon the best means of effecting the excape of the other members of the company staying is the hotel. They rushed back through the main hall and up the burning itaircase to reach that portion of the building in which could be found one object of the search at least. Unsequented with the general construction of the house arct latimation that she had of the terrible

and the location of the staircases from the accustomed use of the elevator they had much difficulty in groping on hands and knees through the smoke to the fourth floor. When they reached it the terrible leap for life had been taken by Miss McClellan. The firemen and volunteers had been making all speed to reach the windows by ladders from the roofs of the stores and saloon, and they cried out lustily to the sufferers above to "hold on a moment." The moments were hours to those in peril, and Miss McClellan was heard distinctly to cry out with sickening despair, "I cannot wait; I am dying!" Before ladders could be adjusted she sprang out and fell with an awful thud upon the roof, forty feet below. A score of brave fellows on the roof rushed to her assistance and she was picked up a sonseless mass. By this time Mr. Weston and Mr. Plunkett, fearing that she had taken the fearful risk rotraced their steps, reached the street half suffocated and climbed the roof to find her in the condition described.

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As gently as possible she was removed to the St. James Hotel and thence to the boarding house, No. 615 Walnut stree, at which Mr. and Mrs. Plunkett are staying. Her face was terribly crushed and her injuries internally cannot be estimated. The house is kept strictly quiet, the shutters drawn close and a notice on the Iront door reads thus:—"By order of the doctor, under no circumstances can anyone be admitted." Br. Lanklord, who has been Miss McClellan's attendant physician, and who was catled in directly after she had been injured, says that she had but one slight aliment since he has known her, and that she possesses an excellent constitution, which he relies upon to carry her through, although her condition is quite precarious. He says that she has sustained a severe concussion of the brain and of the spinal cord; that her face is badly bruised and torn and scalled; that she has an ugly wound on the right side of her head, extending to the bone, two penetrating wounds in the region of the right groin, and a fracture of a rib on the right side, not to speak of minor huris which are not serious. The injury from which danger is chiefly apprehended is in the concussion of the brain and spinal cord. With respect to this concussion, he said at nine o'clock last night that reaction was going on satisfactority, with no more fever than would reasonably be auticipated, and that he considered it probable that Miss McClellan would recover.

THE ORIGIN OF THE FIRE AS DESCRIBED BY

THE NIGHT CLERK. The fire had its origin in the storeroom; there seem to be no reason to doubt that. Further, the flames ha communicated well among the combustible materials in that place and had almost reached the elevator before anybody had observed them. The discovery seems to have been made almost simultaneously by George W. Ford, the night clerk on cuty at that time in the office, and two or three of the other employees

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Mr. Ford made the following statement:—I was standing behind the counter transferring the names to the ledger, when I smelled something like wool burning. I said to a one-legged fellow that was on the outside of the counter, "I smell something like wool' and then he said that he did too. I turned right around to a back window, only a step off and opened it. The whole back part of the hotel was ablaze, and I saw at once that there was no hope to save the place. I turned right around again and turned on the district alarm, and then sent one of the beil boys out with a fire niarm key to turn on a general niarm. I then sent five men up through the hotel to wake up everybody, and I myself stood in the rottend and very again. I could save nothing but the office books, and came near not saving them. The safe was already locked, and everything in it is now probably as good as ever. In two minutes after the alarm of fire was given in the nouse the steps leading down to the office floor were filled with the hotel guests and employés, but all egress by the stairway was soon cut off by the smoke. The fact of it is, the whole thing went like that (snapping his floger). I carried the two ladies down the ladies' entrance and went up for another one, when I was overcome by the smoke, and if it had not been for Freedman, one of our bakers, I would probably now be in the ruins somewhere. Those that were saved may think themselves mighty lucky, for there was no time to lose. At the same time that Mr. Ford made his discovery one of the employés of the hotel smelled the smoke, and tracing it to the store room burst opea the door. The flames, long smothered, leaped out and scorchod him. He flow up stairs screaming "Fire" at the too of his voice.

MR. SCHNIEWIND, OF THE GERMANIA INSUR-ANCE COMPANY, SAFE.

NEW YORK, April 14, 1877.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:-The despatches from St. Louis of to-day concerning the burning of the Southern Hotel state among the missing the name of our Superintendent of Agencies Mr. Adolph Schniewind. Great alarm having caused by this statement to the numerous friends of Mr. caused by this statement to the numerous friends of Mr. Schniewind in this city and elsewhere, many of whom have called at our office for information, I wish to say that Mr. Schniewind escaped undurt, losing only his baggage, as shown by despatches received in this city from him at five o'clock on the morning of the fire. We have also just received a despatch from him dated Cincinnati to-day (14th), and have telegraphed, as requested in the Associated Press despatches, assurances of his safety to Messrs. Breslin, Darling & Co., proprietors of the hotel.

Asking you to publish this, in order to allay the apprehensions of many of our friends,

I am, very respectfully yours.

I am, very respectfully yours, CORNELIUS DOREMUS, Secretary. THE STORM AT CHARLESTON.

EFFECTS OF THE SEVERE GALES-DESTRUCTION OF WHARVES AND SUBMERGENCE OF POR-TIONS OF THE CITY-SULLIVAN'S ISLAND UN-DER WATER-RAILROAD TRAFFIC INTER-RUPTED.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE HERALD.]

severe wind and rain storm burst over this city and harbor about five o'clock yesterday morning, which while not so disastrous in its effects as the gale of Sentember, 1874, when the wharves were budly dam aged and the battery on the eastern water front was washed away, yet during the short period which it lasted was more severe. The wind reached its maximum velocity at eight A. M., blowing at that time fifty-five miles an hour—four miles at hour more than in the gale of 1874. The barometer went down below twenty-nine inches. Three of the principal wharves on the eastern water front are wrecked and have sustained damages to the amount o \$50,000. Several vessels in port were badly thumped, and two were crushed. The bathing house off the battery was partly washed away, and the bridge con necting it with the battery was completely carried The keeper of the house, with his wife and two children, were cut off from communication with the land, and narrowly escaped drown ing. In the gale of 1874 the same family were placed in the same situation and barely escaped with their lives. Considerable damage has been dor to the houses throughout the city, and many of the handsome gardens on the western side have been completely killed by the tide which covered the whole o that section, Sullivan's Island was completely submerged and the ferry wharf has been washed away No trains by the Northeastern Railroad arrived ve terday, and as the wires are down no information been received of damage in that direc tion. Considerable damage has been sustained Savannah and Charleston Railroad. Two trestles are reported down in the neighborhood o Rantowies station, and the planters along the Cambabee report great loss of rice crops by the flood. No trains arrived from or left for Savannah yesterday or the South Carotina Railroad between Charleston and Augusta and Columbia. A slight break is reported about eighteen miles from this city, and no train have arrived from either Augusta or Columbia. The nages sustained in Charleston and vicinity, so far as has been learned, amount to \$150,000.

TOO MANY WIVES.

Justice Guck, in Williamsburg, committed Thomas Derrig yesterday on a charge of bigamy. Derrig, who was clerk to a wine merchant, married Mary Mooney in the Doke street Catholic Church, Lincoln's In Fields, London, November 23, 1847. Rev. John Kyn. officiating. Mrs. Derrig was a tancy cutter of velve for milliners' use, and made from £4 to £5 per week so that when their third child was born, in 1852, they had a snug sum in bank. That year, however, Derrig had a snug sum to bank. That year, however, Derrig bet in the Derby, lost all their little store, and then came to America to make his fortune. Here he married Bridget McKeefe on August 12, 1855, at Castlestown, Mass., Rev. G. A. Hamilton officiating. His Brst wife hearing nothing from him, came out to this country in 1849 and met him, but he sent her back again, promising to return himself or send aer money. Doing activer, she again went to Boston, and a second time he sent her back to England. He then left Boston hurriedly and came to Wildiamsburg, where he bought some burg, where he was arrested and arragned as stated. Derrig pleads in his defence that he obtained a divorce from his first wife soon after he reached America.

DIDN'T WANT TO GO HOME.

As the steamship Neckar, bound for Bremen, left her wharf at Hoboken, yesterday afternoon, a German residing in Bioomfield street, Hoboken, who had been to see a friend off, jumped overboard and swam for the shore. A boat put out to his assistance and speedily rescued the man, who was proving himself an excel-lent swimmer. He stated on reaching shore that he was not going back to Germany and that he had stopped on board by accident after the notice had been given for all persons not passengers to leave for the chora.

WASHINGTON.

FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, April 14, 1877. APPLICANTS FOR JUDGE DAVID DAVIS' SEAT ON THE SUPREME BENCH-THE NAMES ON THE "LITTLE PATRONAGE" BOOK.

The names of caudidates for the Supreme Beach va ancy registered in the book at the Department of Justice are as follows :- Ex-Secretary Bristow, of Kenucky; Senator Christiancy, of Michigan; Colonel Thomas B. Swann, of West Yirginia; Hon. Henry Clay Caldwell, of Arkansas; Judge Robert Hughes, of Virginia; United States Judge Wood, of the Gulf Circuit; Judge Hawkins Hon. H. G. Smith, of Tennessee. Attorney General Devens stated to-day that he would probably not be consulted by the President in the selection of Judge Davis' successor, and he could give no definite state ment as to when the appointment would be made. It seems to be now settled, however, that the new justice will not be named publicly until the convening of Congress, as in the case of other appointments to be made. A notable leature in this connection is the absence of Senator Howe's name from the list of aspirants, as, possibly with exception of Bristow, no candidate has been urge with such persistency as he. A continuous pressure has been applied upon the President through Wisconsin politicians, under the lead of "Boss" Keyes, for two months or more, Keyes' object is to get Howe out of the Senate in order that he himself may step into his shoes.

A delegation of West Virginia republicans to-day visited the White House in the interest of Colone Swann, who is an ex-Confederate and a relative by marriage of ex-President Grant, and a famous third term advocate. Mr. Hayes was away, however, and the delegation contented themselves with a call at the

COMMISSIONER JOHNSON EXONERATES HENRY M. WILLIAMS FROM THE CHARGE OF COR-RUPTION AND ATTEMPTED FRAUD ON THE TREASURY.

The investigation was closed to-day before United States Commissioner Johnson, of the facts in the case of Henry M. Williams, charged with obtaining un-claimed interest at the United States Treasury on fraudulent powers of attorney. Commissioner Johnson rendered a decision exonerating Mr. Williams of all evil intent in the matter. The proofs adduced court went to show that where the identity of the person was apparently duplicated it was due to the fact that there happened to be two or more persons of exactly the same name, and that there was no intention to deceive on the part of Mr. Williams. Furthermore, money paid out to him in mistake was promptly refunded when the books of the treasury disclosed a discrepancy between the signatures of the parties of the same name.

COLLECTOR ARTHUR INVESTIGATING THE AL-LEGED CORRUPTION IN THE NEW YORK CUS-

TOM HOUSE. Collector Arthur has been in town to-day in cle onsultation with Secretary Sherman regarding the charges of fraudulent practices in the New York Custom House. The special commission to investigate these charges has not been organized as yet. It will probably comprise only three persons. One of hese will be a special agent of the Treasury Department designated by Secretary Sherman. Another will be a merchant of New York, and the third will be named by Collector Arthur. The charges of undervaluation in the silk importation cases bave been assigned to a special treasury agent of the New York Custom House for investigation and report,

GENERAL WASHINGTON DESPATCHES.

WASHINGTON, April 14, 1877.

CONGRATULATING THE SECRETARY OF WAR. The Iowa State Association paid their respects to the Secretary of War last night at his residence. Associate Justice Miller addressed the Secretary on be half of the Association, expressing their gratification and pride at his transfer from Congress to his present more prominent position, and

of their confidence in him as one whom lows might feel proud of. The Secretary briefly responded to the compliment, saying in conclusion corning the very responsible duties recently devolved upon me by the favor of the President, I have only to say that they shall be discharged according to the best of my ability, and I hope by faithful endeavo to justify at least in part the apticipations of good friends which you, sir, have so kindly express how well or how ill I do this time will show A PRIENDLY BEMONSTRANCE

A delegation of Friends from Loudon county, Va., and all claiming to be natives of the State, obtained an interview with the President yesterday. They remonstrated against the appointment of carpet baggers to lederal offices in the State, and said there were plenty of good native republicans who desire recognition. The President received the delegation very cordially and listened attentively to all they had to say.

PRESIDENTIAL CLEMENCY. The President has pardoned Charles E. Bruce, convicted in the Criminal Court of this district in April last of forgery, and sentenced to one year in the Albany This is the first pardon of the President PRAISING MAJOR BELL.

Major Bell, the newly appointed Assistant Secretary of the Interior, to-day received from the Hon, E. B. French, Second Auditor of the Treasury, and 115 cierks of the Second Auditor's Office, a handsomely engrossed letter, in which, as his personal friends and ormer associates in that office, they warmly con gratulate him upon his appointment, and say :-We witness in your promotion a practical recogni-tion of true merit, and desire, through you, to con-gratulate the Honorable Secretary of the Interior upon baying secured for the effice of Assistant Secretary the services of a gentleman whose purity of character and acknowledged ability eminently quality him for the satisfactory discharge of its arduous duties. DISCHARGES FROM THE DEPARTMENTS.

Nineteen copyists and one laborer were discharge from the Pension Office to-day, Mrs. Hallock, wife of B. B. Hallock, who is known in connection with the \$47,000 Treasury robbery, was among those recently discharged from the Patent Office.

REPORTS CONCERNING THE WASHINGTON MONU-

to has already been stated that the engineers de tailed to examine the foundation of the Washington Monument have reported against its sufficiency to bear the entire structure. Gentlemen connected with the board of managers of the monument say they are at a loss to understand why such a report could be made, specially as the monument at its present height to the last twenty-four years has not deviated from the plumb line more than I 4-10 inches in that per.od. A LUNATIC'S APPLICATION FOR OFFICE.

letter written in German was received by the Postmaster General to-day from a person living in the Eleventh ward of New York city, who writes that he wants an office worth \$5,000 per year, and promises to give \$1,000 yearly to the poor if the President will give him the office. He suggests that if there is any double of his tuifilling this promise the \$1,000 can be deducted and \$4,000 per annum be paid him. He hopes for an early answer before all the best post offices are taken The letter, although inclosed to the Postmaster General, appears to be addressed to the Aimighty, and is, of course, the freak of a lunatic.

IMPORTS PROM THE EAST INDIES. The chief of the Bureau of Statistics furnishes the ollowing statement, showing the imports from the British East Indies to the United States during the ten months ending January 31, 1877, as compared with

the corresponding period of 1876.		
	1876.	1877.
Indigo, cwt	3,204	4,783
Rice, cwt	-	2,001
Hides, raw, cwt	36,120	58,935
Hides, dressed, cwt	-	6
Skins, dressed, cwt	1,225	5,338
Skius, raw, cwt	16,321	19,072
Jute, raw, cwt	881,934	666,129
Gunny bags, No	1,878,750	9,081,829
Gunny cloth, yards	1,187,650	2,345,461
Shellac, cwt	12,446	12,969
Saltpoter, cwt	156, 115	145,735
Linseed, cwt	1,146,450	646,133
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DEDICATION OF A CONVENT.

The newly established Convent of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, at Sag Harbor, L. I., will be formally dedi cated to-day, by Right Rev. Bishop Longhlin, o Brooklyn. The seminary for the education of young ladies will be under the direction of the French Sister of the Order of the Sacred Heart, who recently arrives from Paris for the purpose of establishing a conven-

AMUSEMENTS.

"DON CARLOS" AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC. There have been already two performances of this fine work, and we are promised another. The New York public is accredited with a taste for novelties, and it is but just to the management to say that in producing this opera they have given us not only a novelty, but an attractive one. It has been produced with a care and propriety in the stage arrangements very unusual in the Academy. The opera has been east in such a manner as to include all the strongest members of this company, which in its entirety is a better - one than we have had for some time in Italian opera. The sm parts being in much more capable hands than usual, gives us most satisfactory effects in the large concerted numbers—a fact which appeals more loudly to any real music lover than the single effect of do. In our notice of the first performance we made hasty mention of Mmc. Paimieri and Signor Celada. It is but common justice to the other members of the company to acknowledge the important part they play satisfactory representation of this opera. First in point of interest we must mention Signor Bertolasi, who in the part of Rodrigo developed points of excellence which astonished even his warmest admirers. This genteman's meria voce was known to be beautiful, but it had also been noticed that he had a way of killing the effect it produced by a sudden beliew at the end of his arias, evidently intended to catch the immediate applause of the unthinking majority, but in this role he appeared to

be thinking more of his part than of himself, and the

result was a series of smoothly sung passages, well phrased and delivered with an intensity of feeling which

called down on him the plaudits of the whole house.

The Princess Eboli was Signora Rastelli, This lady appeared to be much affected by nervousness during the earlier portions of the opera, the re-suit being that she sang at times slightly out of tune and did not seem sure of execution; but in her final aria, "O don fatale," she was more at ease, and delivered the cantabile portion of the scena with excellent effect. Signora Persiani appeared as the page. This lady being already known to our public and her part being a very smail one the mere mention is all that is necessary. Signor Dai Negro represented the part of Filippo (the King) with a great deal of dignity and discretion. This is the firs important part in which we have seen this gentleman. and we should judge from this one impersonation that he was even better as an actor than as a singer. We should also mention that the chorus is unusually large and contains many fine voices, especially among the soprant and basst. In the grand con certed piece which ends the first act-by far the strongest and most effective act in the opera-it was the chorus, more even than the solo singers, which made it the great success it undoubtedly was. The orchestra is unusually large and the balance of instruments well chosen, but they lack that oneness in play the which only comes from long and careful rehears ing. The New York public should remember that this. if not the last, is certainly the only chance that it will have of seeing this fine work of its favorite composer, Verdi, and it is to be hoped that it will eagerly avail itself of this rare opportunity. If Signor Albites does not win golden pieces as well as reputation by this production it will not be because he has not endeavored to bring out a new opera with all the requirements of good scenery and orchestra.

The managers of the Italian opera season have wisely come to the conclusion of lowering their prices, and during the remaining nights of the present season the orchestra reserved seats will be sold for \$2. This netion will not fail to increase the popularity of the THE BROOKLYN PHILHARMONIC CONCERT.

The Brooklyn Academy of Music was last night filled to overflowing by a brilliant and fashionable audience on the occasion of the fifth concert of the Philharmonic Society. Wherever the eye turned it lighted on pleasing and happy faces filled with enthuasm and beaming with pleasure. So far as the beauty and fashion of Brooklyn could make the concert that the crowd of musicians gathered under the con duct of Theodore Thomas drank in inspiration looking out on the sea of lovely faces spread out before them. Perhaps it was this all-pervading sentiment of the presence of youth and beauty that lent an undefinable charm to the music, a gentle sensuousness that filled the soul like the gentle zephyrs of Southern lands, which tan the passions and make us feel more keenly the joyousness of existence. But whether it was the influence of beauty or the excellence of the music, the performance was certainly thoroughly en joyable, and Thomas' orchestra seemed to play with more expression and more perfect execution than ever The audience listened with intense earnest ness, and while the orchestra was playing the dropping of a pin could have been heard. The programme of the evening opened with Bach's Suite in D No. 3, consisting of an overture, air, gavotte, zourree and gigue, a composition full of brightness and animation. The stirring, vivacious movement of this work put the audience in excellent humor with themselves and the musicans, so that when Mr. Werrebrath appeared and sang in a strong and effective rather than finished or touching manner Handel's "Rendi 'I sereno at cigito" they applauded him heartily. It was with pieasure we heard the orchestra strike up Beetnoven's Second Symphony in D major, one of the most beautiful of all the great musican's works, full of sweetness and liquid meiody. It was played with wonderful precision and expression by the orchestra. The joyous character of the music abounding in brilliant color and harmonious sentiment, made this work singularly appropriate to the composition of an audience brimming over with the exuberance of youth. Passing by an adagto molto, lang netto, scherzo and allegro molto, the music touched the most sensitive chords of the luman heart, and when the last notes died away one loft the kind of regret experienced in waking from a pleasant but too brief dream. Schurman's "Bieder ans Osten" was given for the first time and met with lair success. Wagner's "Music of the Future" was represented by scientions from "lohongrin," played as only Thomas' orchestra can play them. A delightful evening's entertainment was trought to a close by the singing of the Handel and Haydn Society. ture, ar, gavotte, xourree and gigue, a composition full of brightness and animation. The stirring, viva-

STEINWAY HALL-THE "CREATION.

The first public rehearsal of the "Creation" by the New York Oratorio Society took place yesterday afternoon at the above Hall. Dr. Damrosch's skill and care as a chorus leader are so well known that it is hardly necessary to say that the choruses were sung with precision and expression. Mrs. Imagene Browne (in the absence of Miss Thursby, Browne (in the absence of Miss Thursby, who is advertised to sing at the concert of this society) sang the soprano part with considerable taste; her voice, however, is nardly powerful enough for singing orantorio music, which to render well needs not only a large voice, but also needs a careful study of caunciation and a broadness of style very rarely board among our singers of the present day. It the concert goes as well as this first rehearsal we predict a great treat for the lovers of this particular class of music, though the "treation" is certainly not a novelty to our oratorio audiences.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC NOTES. Miss Anna Dickinson will continue her performances at the Eagle Theatre this week. Miss Louise M. Pomeroy was very successful in-To

ronto last week, appearing as Rosalind, Miss Anna Dickinson has been engaged by Mr. Daly to play at the Fifth Avenue Theatre next fall, Miss Anna Borie will give her annual concert of

Monday evening, April 23, at Chickoring Hall Mr. Joan McCullough will appear in "The Gladiator" his week, and "Othellow will be soon repeated,

Professor Benjamin will give two carnival concerts at Steinway Hall next Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Heller's hat trick, his box mystery and his spiritual marvels will continue to amuse and instruct during the

Mme. Ess post will give a series of eight recitals at Steinway Hall, beginning on April 23, with selections from the ancient masters. "The Man from America" is the title of a new sensa

tional piece to be produced at Niblo's Garden on Monday evening with new scenery. Mr. Jerome Hopkins' new sacred opera, "Samuel," will be produced at the Academy of Music on May 3,

with a chorus of nearly 300 voices.

Miss Marian Mordaunt is slowly recovering from her severe illness, and will be probably able to resume her engagements about the 1st of May. Miss Bessie Darling will appear at the Eagle Theatre

on April 23 as Julia 10 "The Hunchback," and will play Lady Macboth during her engagement. The Lexington Avenue Opera House will open Monday evening with "Uncle Tom's Cabin," with Miss

Kate Singleton as Topsy and Emma Roony as Eva. Mr. Freeman, a capital actor of the Germania Benedia's amusing comedy, "The Affectionate Rela

The Oratorio Society of New York, assisted by Philharmonic Society, will perform Hayda's great work, "The Creation," next Thursday evening at

A delegation of Sioux Indians, from the Spotted Tail Agency, will appear at the New American Museum rrow night, and will exhibit their war dances and other strange customs.

The annual concert of the St. Thomas' Choir will tak place at Chickering Hall on Friday evening, April 20. the proceeds will be devoted to the complimentary benefit of Mrs. Philip D. Gulager,

"The Danicheffs" must be soon withdrawn from the dage of the Union Square Theatre. Its success has peen remarkable, but it is the purpose of the managers to produce a new piece about the 1st of May.

success at the Fifth Avenue Theatre, a fact which is not singular when the ment of the acting and the beauty of the scenery and mechanical effects are re

Mass Maggie R. Parker, the well known and accom plished vocalist, will have a complimentary concert tendered her on Thursday evening, the 19th inst., at Chickering Hall. She will be assisted by several emi nent artists. A subscription has been opened for a series of dra

natic performances in French at Bryant's Opera House under the management of A. Durand. It is proposed to play comedy, drama and vaudeville with a company specially organized in Paris.

The Kellogg English Opera Company will appear at

the New Park Theatre, Brooklyn, on Tuesday evening, and "Mignon," "The Star of the North" and other operas will be sung during the week. On Friday evenng Miss Kellogg will have a benefit. A grand sacred concert will be given at Steinway Hall this evening in aid of St. Francis' Hospital. This

nstitution gives aid in sickness to the very poorest classes of citizens, without distinction of religion of tionality, and is well deserving of public support. "My Awini Dad" is one of those happy successes for which Wallack's Theatre is famous. It has now been petore the public for many weeks, yet is as fresh and

popular as at the first. It furnishes Mr. Wallack an excellent character, and Mr. Beckett is also quite Miss Adelaide Lennox will make her first appearance as Camille to-morrow night at the Lyceum The-atre, supported by Mr. Henry Dalton as Armand, and a cast which has been announced. The lady has made

a study of this character, and her debut is awaited with much interest. The attraction at the Grand Opera House this week will be "Rose Michel," in which Mr. J. H. Stoddard will assume his original character of Pierre. The cast also includes Misses Kate Meek, Adelaide Thornton,

Bijou Heron, Mrs. Wilkins, and Messrs, Boniface Phillips and Thorpe. The testimonial concert to Mr. John Lavine takes place at Steinway Hall to-morrow evening. Theodore Thomas' Orchestra will play Mendelssohn's overture, "Fingal's Cave," and Schumann's "Bilder aus Osten," and Beethoven's "Serenade." Mme. Dora Gordon

Steele will be the soprano, All things must end some day, and "Our Boarding House," which has had such a long run at the Park Theatre, now draws near its close. Mr. John T. Raymond will soon begin his spring engagement, and Mr. Leonard Grover's brilliant farcical comedy must make place for "Colonel Sellers."

Ole Bull will give a grand farewell concert to-night at Booth's Theatre. He will perform Paganini's adagio from the concerto in B minor and his own "Siciliana e Tarantella" and his celebrated "Polacco Gueriera. Tagliapietra will sing "Qual Turbamento," "Stella Confidente" and a serenade by Scudort Mr. Frederick B. Warde will have a benefit at

Booth's Theatre on Monday evening, April 30, the last night of the management of Messrs. Jarrett & Palmer. 'Damon and Pythias' will be performed, with Mr. McCullough, Mr. Warde and Miss Maud Granger in the principal rôles. Mr. Warde has made a fine reputation Mr. Dion Boucleault will appear as Conn in his own

drama of "The Shaughraun" at the Brooklyn Academy of Music on Monday night, supported by a strong company. The play will be brought out with all the original scenery of Waliack's Theatre. These performances will be the last which Mr. Boucicault will give in the neighborhood of New York for two or three years.

Barnum's Circus and Menagerie at Gilmore's Garden continue to delight thousands of people every afternoon and evening. The performances of the six trained stallions are a remarkable example of the in telligence of the horse and the high degree to which it can be educated. Miss Hengler's riding and driving are excellent, and Charles Fish gives his daring feats of bareback riding.

The Aquarium is always filled with squatic curiosities, but additions are constantly being made to the tanks. This week a large number of queer fish will clawed spider crab, the king crab, the fiddler crab rock crab, the razor fish, the sea raven, herrings, shad, the trost fish, sea cucumbers, a school of young sand flounders and a large collection of anemones from the entertainment, vocal and instrumental.

The charity entertainment given yesterday afteroon at the Cooper Union under the direction of Miss Arabella Root was not very successful from a pecuniary point of view, as the public did not respond to this lady's charitable appeal. The poor children, however, enjoyed heartily the entertainment organized his really clever performance with frequent and hearty bursts of laughter. Miss Root sang with pleasing expression Lemmon's "Bird of Love ' and Molly's "Little Tin Soldier." which greatly amused the little people.

Booth's Theatre, who has contributed so much to the success of the benefits of others during the winter, will receive a benefit himself on Thursday afternoon. The entertainment will be of great variety and merit. It includes a new overture by Operti, "Sweet Bye and Bye," and "Hail Smiling Morn," song by an English company of fitty voices. The dagger scene from "The Wife," by Mr. McCullough; English ballads, by Miss Clara Louise Kellogg; the balcony scene from "Romeo and Juliet," with Mr. John McCullough and Miss Fanny Davenport; Sir Henry Bishop's "Tramp O'er Moor and Fell:" solos by Mmc. Marie Salvotti, Mr. Pyke and others; "Slasher and Crasher," in which Messrs, Stuart Robson, Mr. Crane and Mr. Tooker himselt are announced, the performance ending with 'The Star Spangled Banner." This is a great bill, and Mr. Tooker all have an immense Louse

THE MISTLETOE BOUGH.

The bright and picturesque pantomime of the "mistictoe Bough," done at the Academy of Music last Tuesday evening for the first time, was again preented by the same ladies and gentlemen last night. The audience was equally select and crowded almost every part of the house. As on the first occasion, this fine entertainment was under the direction of Mrs. Howard Townsend, of Albany, vice regent of New York for the Ladies' Mount Vernon Association of the Union. Dodworth's Band played some pleasing ars in the intervals between the tableaux, and Mrs. Gulager sang the old ballads of the 'Mistletoe Bough' sweetly, a verse at a time, introductory to the changing scenes. The following is the cast of characters:—Lord Lovel, Mr. John McKun; Bride, Miss Ward; Baroness, Mrs. c. F. Corlies; Baron, Mr. G. G. Nictols; Housekeeper, Miss S. Lapsiey; Soubrette, Miss Bessie Marbury; Butler, Mr. G. Howland. The acting of all was very good, and that of Mr. McKun and Miss Ward was especially commendable. One of the little bridesmaids, all of whom looked very pretty, was a daughter of Judge Brady. The following couples danced the minuet in the first tableau:—Miss Ward and Mr. McKin, Miss Meigs and Mr. Endicott, Miss Bissell and Mr. Alley, Mrs. King and Mr. King, Miss Lamer and Mr. Carpenter, Miss Baker and Mr. Chriler, Miss Mayernee and Mr. Mison, Mrs. Place and Mr. Phelps, Miss Hitchcock and Mr. Beal, Miss Lamer and Mr. Oswaid, Miss Boker and Mr. Clark, Miss Anderson and Mr. Spencer, Miss Gowdin and Mr. Eidridge, Miss Goddard and Mr. Ritchcock, Miss Hospital and Mr. Rothers and Mr. Coukin, Miss Backs and Mr. Thompson, Miss Peters and Mr. Coukin, Miss Backs and Mr. Thompson, Miss Section and Mr. Carpenter, Miss Backs and Mr. Thompson, Miss Section and Mr. Carpenter, Miss Aborn and Mr. Wiss Sanceck and Mr. Rions, Miss Backs and Mr. Poll, Miss Carnocton and Mr. Rions, Miss Backs and Mr. Howland, Miss Hancock and Mr. Beal, Miss Backs and Mr. Poll, Miss Coxe and Mr. Seymour.

The peture of the merry Maypole dance with the May Queen and her ladies of ronor all in state was greatly appreciated, as was the whole series of pictures, which were quite realistic and in excellent good taste from first to last.

The Grand Duke Alexis, Admiral Boutakoff and Baron Schilling occupied a proscenium box during the evening. fine entertainment was under the direction of Mrs. Howard Townsend, of Albany, vice regent of New York

CONFIDENCE MEN CAUGHT.

Detective Mulvey and Roundsman Cosgreye, of the Iwenty-seventh precinct, yesterday arrested Isaac Vail, alias Simmons, and Henry H. Martin, alias Fred Douglas, for endeavoring to victimize a respectable aged gentleman who was passing through Park place. The prisoners are said to be wall known confidence

THE "MIXED" LIQUOR LAW.

THE AGITATION COMMITTE TO LEAVE FOR ALBANY TO-MORROW-ALL THE LARGE BREW-ERS OF OTHER CITIES TO JOIN THEM OM TUESDAY AT ALBANY.

The decision of the Court of Appeals rendered a few days ago, making every siquer seller who is not an nn or hotel keeper hable criminally, still excites the iquor dealers, brewers and importers, although thes that no advantage will be taken of the decision until Legislation can be had. Mr. Martin Nachtmann's bill o legalize the action of the Excise Board in issuing icenses to others than hotel and unnkeepers is looked upon as likely to bridge over theidifficulty, until such time as a new bill can be passed. It is believed by Mr. Nachtmann that the bill can be passed next week and essured Major Sauer, of the Agitation Committee, that the legislators are fully alive to the necessity of prompt elief, and he thinks they will support his Mayor Sauer states that the liquor men are not satsfied to cease their efforts with the passage of Mr.

Nachtmann's bill, and that they have strong hopes of getting a new act passed before the final adjournment, Mr. Langbein's bill, now before the Legislature, was drawn by and introduced with the approval of the Liquor Dealers Association. It is further advanced than any excise bill now before the Legislature, hav-ing gone to the Committee of the Whole. If on the reconvening of the Legislature on Tuesday a canvass of both bouses show that this bill will suit the views of legislators, they will proceed no further; but if there bills that have been drafted will be introduced. He states that it is probable some changes will be found ecessary in the Langbein bill to make it conform to the recent decision of the Court. What these proposed changes are he cannot state until the sub-comm of the Committee on Agitation reach Albany on Tues day morning. The committee-which consists of Henry Clausen, Jr.; George Ebret, brewer; C. K. Townsend, importer; Fred. Hollender, Martin Arne-

Henry Clausen, Jr.; George Ehret, brewer; C. K. Townsend, importer; Fred. Hollender, Martin Arnemann, John Appel and Harry Cunningham—will, accompanied by Major Sauer, leave the city for Albany to-morrow evening to secure the necessary legislative relief. This atternoon they will hold an informal meeting at the office of Mr. Arnemann to examine bills and decide upon a time of policy to be pursued at the capital. Invitations have been sent to all the leading browers and rectifiers in other cities of the State, and many, including Mr. Lauser, the great brower of Bullalo; John Greenway, of Syracuse, and Mr. Bartholemay, of Rochester, will met the New York gentlemen at the Delevan House at Albany on Tuesday morning for consultation and concerted action.

MR. NACHTMANN'S OFINION.

Last evening a Heratlo reporter had an interview with Assemblyman Nachtmann and Jouan him not so sangume of securing the legislation required as he was represented to be by Mr. Sauer. He states that the main point in his bill is the insertion in the act of 1870 of the words, "To be drank on the premises." This was not in the act of 1870, and there was no repealing clause. The difficulty in getting the amendments has now reached that point where a two-thirds vote is necessary to advance a bill out of its order, and he fears that the requisite number may not be obtained, as there are many temperance men in the Assembly. The situation, he reports, is a difficult one, fraught with danger to the liquor interest of the entire State. If all other efforts failed he proposed to make an effort to eggraff in the Langbein bill, the necessary amendments. When asked it the Excise Commissioners and the police might not be depended upon to overlook the violations, Mr. Nachtmann stated that the danger would come from the temperance people. Oliver Cotter would, no doubt, secure the indictment of the Brooklyn Board of Police and Excise, and the same course would, in all probability, be followed in this city. "If we go on and sell," said he, "without a licens d to delay calling the cases for trial. The ested will be in a very ugly predicame

Interested will be in a very usly predicament unless something is done.

Meanwhile the temperance elements are alive to the advantages given them, and a mass meeting has bees called for to-morrow night at the church, corner of Fourth avenue and Twenty-second street, to discuss the law. Among those it is expected will address the meeting are Chancellor Howard Crosby, Oliver Cotter, Rev. Dr. Tyng. Jr., W. W. Paye, G. S. C. Chapin, Charles Taylor, William H. Munday, Henry Bergh and Henry Kimball.

ACTION OF THE CORPORATION ATTORNEY.

The Corporation Attorney has commenced several hundred actions against sation keepers to recover the penaity allowed by law for the violation of the "Act for Regulating the Saie of Intoxicating Liquers," and it was stated yesterday afternoon that no delay weed take place owing to the appeal of Daniel J. Grianos, et No. 510 Eighth avenue.

BOARD OF EXCISE.

During the past week the Excise Commissioners and received for the same the sum of \$1,230. The total number of licenses granted by the Board to date is 6,561, and the whole amount of money received is \$297,871 75. have granted twenty-seven applications for lices

ILLICIT WHISKEY.

Deputy Revenue Collectors Jacobs and Gillen made a raid on an illicit whiskey distillery on Friday night, at No. 635 Fourth avenue, Brooklyn. They found th gallons of rum and about seven hundred gallons of molasses mash in state of fermentation. The still connections were all in perfect order, but no claim for the property appeared to greet the officers. latter destroyed the mash and took charge of

Terence McCall, who keeps a small store on Monta gue street, near Furman, was arrested yesterday energe of being interested in the libeit distillery cently seized at No. 34 Raymond street. Mr. Mc was released on bail in the sum of \$3,000 to await amination before United States Commissioner Wins

ON THE WARPATH.

THE TAMMANY SACHEM'S APPEAL TO THE

BRAVES OF THE WIGWAM. Grand Sachem Schell has issued his call to the "big injuns" to gather and select their chiefs for the ensuing year. The call is as follows:-

BROTHER.—The call is as follows:—

NEW YORK, April 12, 1877.

BROTHER.—The annual election of the Society of Tammany, or Columbian Order, will be held at our treat Wigwam on the 16th of April Inst., and at no time since the doundation of the institution or since the adoption of the constitution of our government, during which our institution las been mexistence, has there been greater need for the enforcement of the motto of its founders, "Civil liberty the glory of man."

Force by the use of the army, fraud in the returns of the ballot box and corruption by the party in power have deprived the people of the rights secured by the constitution and laws, and have, against the votes of the crizens of the country and contrary to the expressed will of the people placed in power for loar years to come a President and Vice Prosident of the offices.

United States who were not legally elected to these offices.

Let, then, the Sons of Tammany now, as in times past, vindicate these wrongs, and true to the traditions of our society, gather around the council firea, and in the spirit of harmony, brotherhood and freedom, pleedge ourseivez, each to the other and to our country, to sustain the great principles of civil and religious liberty and to restore our government to its original partity and simplicity.

To secure for the government of the Society good officers, brethren in whom every confidence can be placed have been appointed by the Grand Sachem, under a resolution of the Society, to nominate for your suffrages those whose reputation, integrity and pairiotism are recognized, and who will be worthy of your support, and whose election will enable the Society to carry out its great and important work.

To this end we cordisily invite you to be present on the evening of the annual election.

AUGUSTUS SCHELL, Grand Sachem.

Joel O. Stevens, Secretary.

JOEL O. STEVENE, Secretary MESSRS, YAMADA AND WINSLOW.

HELD TO ANSWER THE CHARGE OF BLACKWAIL Judge Kilbreth continued the examination yesterday in the case of the Japanese lawyer, Mr. Yamada and his partner, Mr. W. Rodman Winslow, charged with attempting to extort money from Daniel O'Connell, the Second avenue grocer. Winslow testified that Mary Coyle's claim against O'Connell was placed in his hands by Mr. Mullen, for whom hands by Mr. Mullen, for whom he had previously done collection business. Witness told Mullen that the claim for wages was insignificant as compared with the claim she could enforce against o'Conneil for indecent assault, as any jury would give her heavy damages; winess intended to compromise the claim for \$200, and thus awond putting O'Conneil on trail and disgracing him; O'Conneil came to his office and appeared anxious to settle; the remark about Sing Sing was called forth by O'Conneil, who asked if the law could send him there for indecent account.

asked if the law could send him there for indecent assault.

Mr. Livingston, who appeared as Winslow's counsel, argued strongly that no offence had been committed. His client had a good cause of action against O'Connell for the indecent assault, and did nothing wrong in endeavoring to compromise it. The settlement by lawyers of good causes of action was of common occurrence, and if every time a lawyer took a civil case with a criminal prospective, he lad himself open to the imputation of blackmail, the business of the law would be destroyed.

Justice Kiloreth differed from counsel, and, while expressing sympathy for Yamada, stated that he must hold him in \$100 bail to answer. Winelow was held is \$500 bail. Both detendants were allowed to go on their own recognizance.

VITAL STATISTICS.

During the past week there were 1,662 births, 46 still births, 165 marriages and 502 deaths.